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STEM CELL PRODUCTION

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## RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action, dated August 12, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows: